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Committee discusses discrimination report recommendations

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - The April 15 School Committee meeting was attended by many school department personnel who were present to hear a discussion on the findings and recommendations of a Discrimination Committee established in August of 1991 to look into whether or not sex discrimination and favoritism exists in the Millbury school system. The report was released two weeks ago, but the School Committee decided to wait until tonight's meeting to review the findings. While a lengthy discussion was expected, the School Committee spent relatively little time on the allegations in the report but opted instead to deal with the recommendations.

One allegation of favoritism in allowing staff members to attend conferences and in reimbursing them for their expenses was disputed by Hanratty. He said a fact sheet provided by the administration showed that there are a lot of staff people attending conferences (173 during 1991-1992) and most were female (84 vs 27 males from a staff of 110 teachers.) The staff is comprised of 62.27% females and 32.73 % males according to figures supplied by Superintendent Alfred Sylvia.

Assistant Superintendent Richard Palermo, who also chaired the discrimination committee, said he could not provide the Committee with a list of those who were turned down or those who received only partial repayment for expenses. Sylvia said that only a few have been turned down and that not all teachers going out to meetings or conferences have been recorded.

In reply to a question from Committeeman Alan Marble, Palermo said he does not have data on how many of the conferences were attended by the same people?

The following action was agreed to on the recommendations:

- Non-teaching assignments will be distributed equitably between males and females. A description of the duty assigned will be provided.

- At the beginning of each school year, Title IX (federal sex discrimination law) procedures will be explained to staff members. The Title IX coordinator will report all issues of discrimination and/or favoritism to the School Committee on a quarterly basis. The Superintendent of Schools will not hold the position of Title IX coordinator.

MTA President Tom Murray said there would be no problem with having Palermo serve as Title IX coordinator but that in the future, the staff should have some input into the appointment of a person to that position. Hanratty agreed that the Committee would look at setting up a process for staff input for a future appointment for the position.

- Sensitivity training will be provided for all staff to heighten awareness of issues of discrimination.

Sylvia said he would look into possibly having someone from the State Department of Education help in this area.

- Training for administrators and School Committee members will be provided on the law and responsibilities regarding discrimination issues. Hanratty said it would be up to each individual School Committee member whether or not to attend the training sessions.

The process for selecting Teachers/ Teacher of the Year will be reviewed. Sylvia said a selection is now made in conjunction with the building principals, each of whom selects one candidate. Sylvia then chooses from the three candidates. In addition to teaching, factors considered in the selection include community or extra class activities.

Murray lauded all members of the committee and the administration as well as the School Committee for their efforts in going forward with the study. "This is a positive step, and I would hope that instead of getting into a discussion of these findings we could focus on where we go from here. It is very difficult to attack or defend these things," he said.

Hanratty argued that the findings were not "facts" but rather "perceptions." He said people may perceive things differently. "People in the past may have been slighted," he said. "We do the best we can."

Millbury resident Wayne Sclar, a former School Committee member, echoed Hanratty's statement that the findings were perceptions and not necessarily facts. As such, he said, they should not be given too much weight.

Committeeman Bruce Pease, who served on the Discrimination Committee, said a couple of the findings relating to grade transfers and longevity pay are contractual and thus part of collective bargaining.

Committeewoman Jane Pojani, who also served on the Discrimination Committee, told her colleagues that they were missing the point. "The perception was there," she said. "It's real. We have to put these recommendations to work. There is something there in the findings. We have to make a positive approach," she said, "take the recommendations, and make sure things, if there, don't go on."

Marble, noting that Sylvia in a written statement said he accepted the report and

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Route 146 Resurfacing Announced

BOSTON - Resurfacing and related work on a 2.68 mile section of Route 146 in the Millbury-Sutton area is expected to begin soon, according to Rep. Richard T. Moore (D-Uxbridge). The project is expected to be completed by late November. Granger-Lynch Corp. was the low bidder at $2,635, 879, Moore said.

Manchaug Fire Station and ZBA top meeting

By Alec G. Belisle

SUTTON - The Sutton Board of Selectmen met on April 14 for a Workshop Session. The "Workshop Sessions" as Chairman of the Selectmen David Strieby explained to members of the audience, are designed to allow members of the board to discuss issues of concern among themselves and normally do not allow for the solicitation of audience questions.

Manchaug Fire Station

The board met with members of the Manchaug Fire Station Committee. Committee member Paul Maynard explained that in 1989, the Feasibility Committee proved to the selectmen that the Manchaug Fire Station needed upgrading or replacement. He said that after discussion, the committee decided that the present site was too small to warrant rebuilding there. The present committee has chosen an old egg farm site on Manchaug Road to be the location of the new station. The town owns the property.

After interviews, architects have been narrowed from a field of 27 to three. The three finalists ranked according to preference are: Sullivan Design, Dunn and Swain, and Brawder Linquist, none of which are local companies.

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National Volunteer Week

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Seated, (l-r): Virginia Ribb, Phyllis Scully, Anne Holzwarth, Jane Jung(president, board of directors), Elizabeth C. Grogan, Jean M. Peterson (Congregate Housing Volunteer), Ida Van Ostrand. Standing (l-r) Polly Wilbur, Carole Mong, Dotti Dawson, Peggy Yanatos, Emma Martin, Aldona Karsok (COA), Pat Bardier, Mary Villa, Christopher Villa, Joseph P. Combs, Charles Lindkvist.

MILLBURY - Pictured above are some of the more than 100 volunteers who contribute their time and talents to the services provided by the District Nursing Society and the Adult Day Health Care Program. All volunteers are being honored the week of April 26 through May 2. You will recognize the volunteers during this week by the red "V" they will be wearing.

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We The People

Lend a Hand

To the Editor:

I'm sure many of you were as embarrassed as I to see the honor "2nd Ugliest Town in Worcester County" bestowed on our town by a *Worcester Telegram* survey this March.

Although, I feel this statement is a bit harsh, I must honestly say it appears to me that slowly but surely our town is losing some of its beauty. It sickens me to see the many areas in town that are strewn with garbage and litter. The lack of concern some residents and businesses have for the appearance of their property is equally appalling.

Please, show some "Millbury Pride" this Earth Day. Join in the clean-up with the Lions Club (April 25), or on your own, and help restore that "old Millbury Beauty." Every little bit helps.

Mary Lange Bernard
Millbury

Takes Issue with ZBA Decision

To the Editor:

This is April 15th, and I am revisiting an interesting experience I had last night. I was invited to attend the Sutton board of Selectmen's meeting, as a member of the audience. The agenda included discussions with a number of Sutton's boards and the Selectmen to sense how things are going. Sutton's selectmen articulated their desire to improve communications and help in areas that are not being dealt with as proactively as they should.

Sutton's Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), was invited to this particular meeting. My participation, as well as several of my neighbors, was to listen to the dialogue between the ZBA and board of selectmen, then voice our opinion as to how the board was functioning. Specifically with respect to their decisions to disapprove a minor zoning variance requested by a neighbor - to enable the building of a home for their son on a lot of land abutting their property - to the extreme of approving a major zoning change to a building across the street, currently zoned residential. The change...residential to business for a medical waste facility.

Is there something wrong with this picture? Well the residents felt there was, as did one very proactive selectman, Rick Labonte. Especially since they, the neighbors, had no notification as to the extreme of this zoning change until after the variance was approved.

Well, back to our setting...we are at the Selectmen's meeting and the dialogue between the Selectmen and ZBA are in progress. I hear the selectmen asking how things are going and how they might help the ZBA. Pat Morris explained all was going relatively well, the selectmen could help out with enforcement of ZBA decisions that residents are not adhering to. Mr. Arthur Keown, articulated the role of the ZBA is to make decisions on requests brought forth to them, however, following their decision, the consequences of this decision is no longer their concern. I think, the words were, the ZBA washes their hands of it.

Mr. Keown additionally commented on how the ZBA prefers to issue special permits rather than changes to use variances. The reason for this was control. With special permits, once the requester moves out, the property reverts back to the original zoning. Thurs, if a future change is desired, the next occupant needs to reapply. Use variances on the other hand, stay with the property forever.

This was all quite interesting and acceptable logic in my mind. The burning question in my mind was, why then was a use variance issued to a medical waste business abutting a lake, in a residentially zoned area. A variance that would stay with the property forever. Well, I did not have the chance to ask this impertinent question. However, Selectmen Labonte did take the opportunity to ask, however, he was quickly brushed aside by Mr. Morris. Mr. Morris was not prepared to discuss this particular case at this particular meeting...perhaps a future session - if need be - would be more appropriate.

Well here is the truth according to this writer: the ZBA acted without equity and without consideration to the surrounding neighbors in two cases of opposite extremes. The first was the Sutton Citizen requesting a minor zoning variance for residential property, result - denied; the second a request to change a residentially zoned property, abutting a lake, to business zoning for a medical waste removal business, result - approved.

With respect to the zoning change from residential to business for a medical waste business, the notification of meetings and decisions were quite legal as our laws are currently written, however, notifications did not include full disclosure of the scope of the change to the surrounding neighbors.

My particular concerns is with the attitude of the ZBA, that once they have made a decision...it is someone else's problem. I would expect that a body that has the empowerment that the ZBA has would act on the best interest of the community. My personal experience thus far is, the Sutton ZBA is deficient in acting in the best interest of the community of Sutton.

Well, where do we go from here? Clearly we, the residents close to the problem, will discourage dysfunctional businesses from trying to enter our community. Particularly when it has a potential impact to our quality of life, our environment, and our real estate value. Ask yourself the question, would you like a business abutting your land with a title, "Medical Waste?"

Next, I believe there will be quite an active movement to help the Selectmen to review the membership of the ZBA. Appointments are coming up; perhaps it is time for changing the mix of this board....I personally believe it is time for change.

For those of you that have been nice enough to read the truth according to this writer, thank you. For those of you in the community of Sutton that are working so hard to improve our community, I applaud you.

Rex Howard
Sutton

(The Chronicle has made an exception in the length of the above letter since the citizens were unable to voice their concerns at the Selectmen's workshop session. Normally, letters to the editor should be limited to 300 words.)

Thank You...

The Millbury Lioness Club would like to thank all who attended our craft, bake and flea sale at the Charles F. Minney Post on Saturday, April 4th. All your continuous support is gratefully appreciated. Also a big "Thanks" to all our members for their hard work and generous donations.

The Millbury Lioness Club

Volunteers at Heart of Change

The District Nursing Society takes this opportunity - NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK - April 26 through May 2, 1992 - to recognize the many volunteers who so generously contribute their time, expertise and talent to the services provided by the District Nursing Society and to the Adult Day Health Care Program. Volunteers make all the difference in the world.

Our volunteers make numerous important contributions which are critical to the success of our work. They pitch in. They give us something extra. They lend a hand. Wherever they are, good things happen.

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Millbury Selectmen's Meeting Digest

Board grants approval to extend Oak Street

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - The April 14 Selectmen's meeting convened shortly after 7:00 P.M.. With the exception of Bernard Plante, all members were present. Chairman Jude Cristo called on Administrative Assistant Earl Chase to give his weekly report.

Chase said the early retirement bill presently before the House will not affect municipal or county employees, only state employees.

The Planning Board is conducting interviews for a replacement for former Town Planner Dave Hulseberg who has taken a position as Director of Economic Development for the village of Arlington Heights in Illinois. They are not ready to make a recommendation at this time, Chase said.

The articles on the town warrant for accepting new streets are not ready and will not be acted upon at the Annual Town Meeting.

Copies of the signed Cable T.V. agreement with Greater Media are available at Town Hall. One will be kept in the Selectmen's office and one in the public library for any interested resident to review once the extra copies are gone.

Chase said he was notified by Wheelabrator that trash trucks seen recently going through the center of town have been barred from the plant on Rte. 20 for two weeks. The truckers have been advised to use Rte. 395 to Rte 20. Cristo remarked that he liked Wheelabrator's style of imposing a penalty for going through the center of town.

Street lights

Under old business, the Board approved a recommendation to move a street light at pole 14 to pole 15 on Sutton Road as the area has a curve and an intersection that should be lit.

No recommendation was made on a street light location near 24 McCracken Road.

Chase said he looked at an area of Greenwood Street that was the subject of a letter from a resident at 420 Greenwood, requesting that the light be returned from its new location back to a pole across from the resident's driveway. Chase said he didn't recommend approving that request as its present location is adequate. He said the purpose of a light isn't for the benefit of a driveway.

Lions Club

William Kane, representing the Lion's Club, asked for permission to store a Sight Mobile van in the back parking lot of the Town hall from March to October. The van is used by the Lions Clubs in the district primarily on weekends. Kane said the van is presently left at the County jail but access to getting it out of the parking lot area is not always readily accessible.

The Board approved, 4-0.

Pat Wassell, representing the Millbury Lioness Club, requested a permit to conduct a tag sale. Her request was approved 4-0.

Wassell's request for a toll gate solicitation of funds at the center of town and Canal Street was withdrawn after the Board addressed a letter from Police Chief Richard Handfield indicating his opposition to solicitors being out in the street. He said the situation would pose a safety hazard. The Board supported the Chief's recommendation without taking a formal vote.

Oak Street

A public hearing was held on extending the pavement and laying of two storm surface drains on Oak Street off Millbury Avenue. Builder Jeff Fuller of Auburn presented a proposal to extend Oak St. by paving a dirt section and taking care of surface water drainage to prevent water build up. He said the storm drains will go through an easement directly into Dorothy Pond and will ease any problems of surface water puddling. Fuller said the Conservation Commission has approved his plan.

A resident of the area expressed concern with traffic build up as the proposal will now connect with Lake Street which will see more traffic and speeding in an area with children.

Fuller said he will be building single family houses in the area of the improved roadway on three lots. He said the road is not passable at present.

The Planning Board sent a letter supporting Fuller's proposal, subject to six conditions imposed on the builder.

Lachance asked that the matter be tabled for further review but he did not get a second to his motion. The Board approved the extension and paving of that section of Oak Street 3-1 with Lachance opposed.

Miscellaneous

The Board met with Wayne Sclar, Bob Brainard, and Arthur and Bill Moore to finalize the format for a Public Forum to be held April 23 on the proposed charter. Cristo was chosen to moderate the forum.

The Board voted to send a letter to the Planning Board suggesting that developers of subdivisions be required to purchase the street lights for their subdivisions.

Lachance asked Chase call the State Bureau of ' nts to see if the town can use $200,000 lying in interest bearing accounts that were part of borrowed funds for projects that have been completed. He suggested that there might be a way the town can use those funds towards the budget.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Millbury Election April 28

MILLBURY - Voters will decide two contests in the April 28 annual town election and take action on whether or not to approve a new town charter. Contested races are for School Committee and Cemetery Commission.

There are two, three-year seats available on the school committee. Incumbents Alan K. Marble and Bruce D. Pease are being challenged by Barbara Ann Tuttle and Stephen D. Widen. Robert A. Donovan faces a challenge from Randolph K. Mogren for one three-year seat on the Cemetery Commission.

The following are all incumbents and are running unopposed: Selectmen - Gerald J. Bleau and Donald J. Gauthier; Town Clerk, Oran D. Matson; Assessor, Alan M. Tuttle; Re-Development Authority, Hy J. Sclar; Board of Health, Tom Brown; Housing Authority, Richard J. Dwinell; Planning Board, Arthur J. Moore; Sewerage Commission, Richard E. Prue; Constable (three year terms, six openings) Anthony R. Baroni, Richard A. Gauthier, Edward R. Perry, Frederick T. Vulter, William C. Wilkinson; Library Trustee (two, three year seats) John R. Potter.

Steven J. Trottier is a candidate for a five year seat on the Parks Commission.

Turkey Luncheon

MILLBURY - A turkey luncheon with all the fixings, to benefit the Millbury Women's Club's Scholarship Fund, will be held Thursday, April 30, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Millbury Federated Church, Main Street. Lunches will also be available for take out. For lunches to go, call Mary Mulhane at 865-4266. The cost of the meal is $5.00.

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School Use Fee Tops Discussion

By Edward J. Cooney

SUTTON - The April 13 School Committee meeting convened at 7:00 P.M. with all members present. Monday night's meeting was the last for Chairman Glenn Anderson and Andrew Smith who are not seeking re-election.

Following approval of the minutes of the last meeting, the Committee and members of the audience were treated to a laser disc video presentation from five students from the elementary school who gave an oral and computer video report on subjects they researched and produced. Their report was on sea animals and they incorporated the traditional mode of giving an oral report along with the use of new technology.

Elementary Principal Beverly Brown noted that there are two teachers involved in a grant which is developing this type of programming for the children. It is hoped that in the near future with some added funding, similar efforts will be carried into the junior high. Another demonstration by the children will be given at the PTA Family Night on April 29.

School Calendar

Superintendent Gordon Spence presented two school calendars for next year with different dates for the opening of school and noted that the approval of the calendar is the sole responsibility of the school committee. Regardless of which calendar is selected, Spence said one Monday each month will be a released time day to allow the staff at the high school time to go through the self evaluation process in preparation for accreditation by the New England Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges. The Committee unanimously adopted a school calendar with an opening date of August 31, 1992 for teachers and the first Tuesday in September for students.

Non-Tenured Teachers

Spence asked the Committee for their thoughts on notifying non-tenured teachers that they will not be rehired next September. He indicated that he could send out the notices but has always included the Committee in arriving at the decision to do so. The teachers must be notified by April 15, but the decision could be put off until after the budget and cherry sheet arrive as the reason for not rehiring could be because of declining enrollment or fiscal restraints.

Spence indicated that most of the non-tenured, less senior people are in Special Education (SPED). He said that some of the regular education teachers could use their seniority and previous experience in SPED to exercise their bumping rights.

Both Committeewomen Linda Roach and Anne Fox said they were not looking to cut any positions.

Spence suggested that the committee not look at it as cutting any positions, but just a matter of notifying those staff people that their contracts will not be renewed. If things come out all right in relation to the budget, Spence said they will be rehired. The Committee voted unanimously to approve Spence's recommendation to notify non-tenured teachers before April 15 that their contracts will not be renewed.

Expenses

The Committee approved a recommendation from Spence to expend $2200 for a plain paper copier and $2400 for band uniforms. He noted the students in the Band are without uniforms and that they need support as well as do students in other activities. The band will march in the Memorial Day Parade.

Spence also noted that there are other maintenance projects that have been put off until now in order to see how the budget goes for this year. He said the budget should hold up through the rest of this fiscal year.

Anderson opened up sealed bids for the transportation of students. The bids were approved for regular education transportation to Weagle Bus, the present holder of the contract at $287,000 which, according to Spence, is lower than last year's at $303,000. The Special Education Transportation bid was approved for A. Murphy Transportation Co.

School Use Fee

The Committee, after over 30 minutes of discussion back and forth as to what fees to charge basketball coach Steve Romasco for use of the school facilities this summer for a basketball summer camp program, finally agreed to grant him permission to use the school facilities for the week he requested at a fee of $250. It was also decided that the custodians must be paid out of the monies collected for the camp.

The discussion centered mainly on whether or not to charge a fee since Romasco is a school employee. The school use policy has different guidelines for charging fees for private groups who use school facilities. Romasco said the last two years of the five he has run the camp, he has been incorporated which was an added expense. He said the program is a break even situation for him since he pays coaches and provides T-shirts and custodial fees.

Anderson and Roach said they would like to see more staff people become involved in similar programs. They said that charging a high fee could discourage that goal.

Committeewomen Sue Horne and Fox indicated that they were not against the programs but noted that the camp is a private organization. Under the school use policy, private groups must be charged a fee.

Smith offered a compromise by suggesting a lower fee. The committee approved his recommendation.

Staffing

The Committee reviewed staffing needs at the high school since Principal Ed Grant informed the Committee that he will be retiring in January, 1993. Grant would like to use his vacation time, which means he would not be back as Principal in September. He has not as yet submitted a letter of resignation.

The Committee agreed to discuss when and how to fill the position on a permanent basis at a future meeting.

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On The Shelf

By Rosemary Waltos

The Millbury Public Library has a history of volunteer support from members of the community who recognize the value of library service and the struggle to provide services with limited resources. As a result, today, volunteers provide valuable assistance by providing the means of enhancing and enriching the library's program of services.

While volunteers are not assigned tasks that would cause disruption in services if there is an unanticipated absence, such as day-to-day coverage of the library's service areas, they do help in a number of important and varied ways. How? There are many examples, including the library's deposit collections in the apartment complexes of the elderly. These collections are rotated and replenished three to four times a year with the volunteer help of Roland Whiterell. Twice a month, Janice Bianculli provides home bound library patrons with book delivery and return service. If necessary, she also helps to set up home bound patrons with services from the Talking Book Library. Bob Marchand and Paul Chapdelain lend their expertise in offering evening word processing computer classes to adults. Mildred Mansur gives her time and effort several hours each month by helping to clear up the constant backlog in processing new materials.

Children's services benefit with the volunteer help of Susan Bernard's and Linda Lachance's bedtime story programs. Joanne Dunn is largely responsible for the library's craft programs that are offered to children throughout the year. Each summer and through the year, a team of children provide volunteer help in preparing and conducting events.

All these people, and many more, provide volunteer assistance. Without them, most of the services and activities mentioned above could not be offered to the community.

In addition to individuals, the Millbury Public Library depends on its Friends of the Library for their volunteer assistance from hosting art exhibits to fund raising. The Friends have been at the forefront of library activities. As a matter of fact, mark your calendar, because on May 30 from 9 a.m. to noon, the Friends will hold their annual yard sale.

In 1992, the library organized another volunteer group, the Millbury Public Library Endowment Steering Committee. Throughout 1991, this group of six individuals established the library's first endowment fund and now is in the process of forming the Millbury Public Library Endowment Fund Advisory Council. Volunteers who will make up the newly formed council will work toward the goal of building a firm base of financial support to supplement, enhance, and enrich the library's facility, services, and collections into the 21st Century.

If you are interested in volunteering at the library, there are several projects, both one time and ongoing, that you can choose to take on. One time projects include the creation of a community handbook, organizing the library's scrap book and its collection of ephemeral materials, and shifting collections. Some ongoing ones include coordinating and promoting the library's gallery and display space, mending and processing materials, and indexing the library's short story, play and local newspaper collections.

You can also be a volunteer by joining the Millbury Public Library Endowment Advisory Council or by becoming a Friend of the Library. How do you become a volunteer? Call 865-1181. Call today!

Chamber to host business expo

WORCESTER - The Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce will host a Business After Hours/Mini Expo on Thursday, April 30, from 5:15 to 7:30 p.m. at Pleasant Valley Country Club, Sutton. More than two dozen businesses will be on hand to showcase their products and services.

In addition to local exhibitors, several Business Assistance Resource Tables will be located throughout the hall, featuring representatives from S.C.O.R.E., Mass. Office of Business Development, Cooperative Marketing Service, and Worcester Business Development Corporation.

Cost of this event is $5 per person and advance registration is required. Call Mary Hubbard at 234-9090 or Sandy Haagsma at 753-2924 to register.

Umpires Needed

MILLBURY - The Millbury Girls' Softball League is looking for volunteers to umpire in the Senior Division. Anyone interested in helping out can contact Dennis Day at 865-3811.

From My Window on Farnsworth Court

By "Pastor Rae" Cameron

Well, we've got ourselves another committee. The definition of a committee is a group of the unfit, elected by the unwilling, to do the unnecessary. I hops that is not true of the Millbury Center Parking Lot Committee.

Since Dave Hulseberg, our former Town Planner, was leaving, we met with him to form this committee to see that the work of beautifying downtown Millbury will be completed. First and foremost will be the parking lot, but it will also include the balance of the business district: Elm Street, Canal to Waters, Main Street, School to Canal. This will include plantings of trees, shrubbery and flowers and more trash receptacles and park benches.

Some of the sub-committee assignments were for fund raising, design/purchase, needs survey, volunteers, and public relations. A few of the miscellaneous ideas were for street banners, an adopt a tree plan, community involvement, and getting Valley Tech and/or the Carpenter's Union school for some of the construction. The next meeting will be Friday, April 24, at 8 a.m. in the Whitney insurance office.

It is interesting that the bible begins with a garden,the Garden of Eden, and ends with a city, the Holy City, new Jerusalem. Many of us have come from the rural to the urban or suburban. I was raised on a farm in the city of Newton. God created all things, but he left mankind to care for them. Amen.

College Fair at MHS

MILLBURY - The Millbury High School Guidance Department will host a College Fair in the high school gym on Friday, May 1. More than 70 colleges and post secondary institutions from throughout New England will be in attendance, as well as recruiters from the miliary and R.O.T.C. This is an opportunity for students to meet personally with admissions representatives to discuss programs, admission requirements, and financial aid. Parents are invited to attend any time between the hours of 8:30 and 11:30 a.m. Contact Raymond Gemme at the high school guidance office for further information.

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Bits 'n Pieces

. . . Joe Morin

Hi Neighbor! Had enough of me yet? No? Well, that's nice to know. Guess we'll have to keep the presses a-rollin'. Busy, messed up world out there, isn't it? In politics, Buchanan wants Bush to quit; moonbeam Brown acting as though he won it already.

Question: "What happens to all that dough they collect, you know, campaign contributions, federal matching funds? If a candidate drops out, does the loot revert to the candidate for his own "personal" use? Does he have to give it back (ha ha) from whence it came?

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THE Bishop says, "close it down!" The good people of St. Jo's said "No Way!" St. Stephen's across the street isn't in such good shape either. Why didn't they choose the better of the two? Decisions, decisions! Everybody is arguing! The dems are fighting the publicans; the House vs. the Senate; unions against management; the have's against the have nots; in-laws fighting the outlaws; the Nazi skinheads out west are fighting the minorities; the rich against the poor; the Irish against the Brits; the cats vs. the dogs; Buchanan vs. Bush. My, oh my! Such a world! Such a time to be living in! Aha! But what a challenge to do our best to try and cool things down. Stop the Pessimism! Up with Optimism! "Let there be peace on Earth, and let it begin with me" and you. Let's start now!

MEDICAL MEMOS - Running? Dieting? You Wanna lose weight? Fats Grobnik says: "Dancing the Polka is the ONLY way!" That will do it every time, he says. "Over the years I kept seeing the same people, decade after decade, doing the polka at these weddings; as they got older they got sprier and healthier dancing at weddings, whatever. Those who didn't polka, but instead drank beer, schnapps, who danced the occasional tango, were dropping like flies!" He discovered that dancing polkas, especially at a good wedding, provided as much exercise and burned up as many calories as running in the Chicago Marathon. He no longer walks to where he's going, he polkas to the store, in the store, wherever, whenever!

Look for "Polka Reducing Parlors" to spring up, here and there. Remember the "Too Fat Polka" way back? How about that? (Quotes taken from a T&G story)

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A Painkiller Dispenser - Ayupp! Soon to be available for your convenience, a computerized painkiller dispenser next to your hospital bed. No more calling the nurse for a shot; all you will have to do is press a button, a pre-set amount of medication will be administered. How about that? Drop drop, fizz fizz! Oh, what a relief it is!

From *Business Week Magazine* - 1958: "With over 50 foreign cars already on sale here, the Japanese auto industry isn't likely to carve out a big slice of the U.S. Market..." Ha, ha, ho ho! Little did they realize!

Birthday Suit Bungee-ing! 106 men and 19 women recently took advantage of "Jumping the Bridge" in their birth suits. Ayupp! It was a fund raiser, proceeds going to the SPCA. There were nearly 1,000 spectators (nosey, busybodies) who paid $2.00 each to watch this spectacle. What a way to raise money! Imagine that happening at the Lake Quinsigamond Bridge? What a traffic jam, what confusion. Wonder how much money we could make for charity? But please, let me make myself perfectly clear, don't include yours truly. I am a very shy person, very shy! No way, Jose! But if it's for a good cause!...Nope, Nosiree!

We're not eating enough Wheaties. Our Olympic teams did quite badly in the Olympics, didn't they, but they tried; got a chuckle from the CFP stating that there were "four Catholics" on the Hockey Team! Didn't make much difference, did it? Big Deal! Now, if they had won, then I would have waved the banner! Congrats to all.

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Short Stuff! Twenty five of the world's foremost back pain experts have said that no treatment may be the best for up to 90% of backaches. Most acute back pains will improve by themselves in a few weeks, and bed rest will not help solve the problem.

How come those convenience stores that are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, have locks on their doors? I always wondered about that!

DID YOU KNOW that before the enactment of the 1978 law that made it mandatory for dog owners in New York City to clean up after their pets, approximately 40 MILLION pounds of doo-doo were deposited on the streets every year? Now that's a lot of doo-doo!

Boom Town? Yessirree! Millbury has a new skating rink in the making, a firing range coming up. Casino anybody? Good grief! Nice to see all of this, good for citizenry, tax base.

Thought I'd seen it all. Evidently, I haven't! There is a company out there that will take the ashes of your deceased hunting dog, whatever, intermingle his ashes with gun powder, load up a few bullets with the same, and ship it back to you as a "memorial" in honor of Fido, Shep, whomever. Said ammo can then be used as a "Final Farewell Shot" on your next sojourn into the woods. Ayupp! I Kid You Not. Good ol' Fido, he was faithful till the end, the bitter end!

Still on the animal theme...I'm telling you it's quite a life for these porkers. A group of prized pigs in Houston are living "High on the Hog!" They live in carpeted pens, eat candy and even sleep on beds with blankets. (Pigs in Blankets?) They are those pot bellied aristocrats waiting to compete at the Houston Live Stock Show. Events listed are prizes for costuming and talent. Now, pray, tell me, what talent could a cochon have? Ribs? Chops? Roasts? That's all I can think of.

When the Declaration of Independence was adopted, the chances that the revolution would succeed were very slim. At the signing ceremonies, John Hancock remarked, "We must be unanimous-we must all hang together." We must indeed hang altogether," agreed Benjy Franklin, "or most assuredly we shall hang separately."

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ADDENDUM - At the vets recently, we noticed one dog with a bad cut over its eye. We asked what happened. The dog had gotten into a fight with another dog over a rock! "And the funniest thing about it," the owner said, "was that the other dog was his 'best friend.'" The owner couldn't get over the fact that his dog and his dog's best friend fought over such a trivial thing!

Then I added, "But don't we humans do the same thing? In some instances, we kill over a jacket, a pair of shoes."

Didja hear about the desperado who tried to hijack a bus filled with Japanese tourists? Fortunately, the police had 50,00 photographs of the suspect...The only good thing Bush has going for him in the upcoming election is the fact that he has "Democrats" running against him! No doubt he will be reelected! Really, we do hate to change horses in mid stream, don't we? And life goes on, taxes go up, and up...!

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What Nerve! What Gumption! The National Chairman of that charitable organization being paid over $400,000 a year in salary; free condominium, limo and chauffeur! Now that's gotta frost ya! But remember, he had to have a board of governors approve all this. In my opinion, they're just as guilty as the chairman of the board! And he wanted to stay on until someone was named in his stead! Wonder what kind of pension plan they gave him? The gall, the nerve! People giveth, he tooketh! Do you realize that over $3 billion in contributions is collected yearly by this organization?

The final bill is in. Ayupp! The bill is from the Gulf War. They say it totalled up to about $61 BILLION Clams! Yessirree. $7 billion we dished out; balance from the other countries involved. How about that? We could have fought the war on poverty with all those clams! But first things first, right?

Turn to MORIN on Page 8

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Richard Kenary, Treasurer of the Millbury Credit Union, reads "Have you Seen My Cat?" to Mrs. Rogers' kindergarten class.

Community Reading Day

MILLBURY - Under the chairmanship of Lillian Pride (shown above reading to Mrs. King's 1st graders), the Millbury Public Schools participated in the celebration of a Community Reading Day on April 8. Sponsored by the Alliance for Education, the program brought together business and community members into the elementary schools. Volunteers, serving as Celebrity Readers, shared the joys of reading with children in order to promote literacy and community involvement in the Millbury Public Schools. Photos below and to the right feature other celebrity readers.

The Rev. Jane Haley, of the First Congregational Church of Millbury, entertains kindergartners in Mrs. Stead's class with "Is Your Mamma a Llama?"

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Millbury Police Chief Richard Handfield entertains Dr. Power's 4th graders with the book, "Zucchini."

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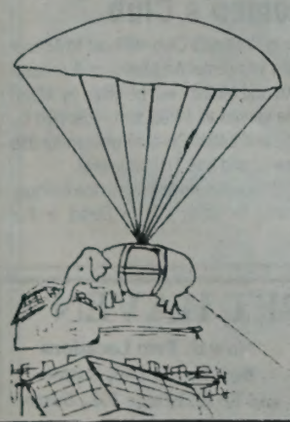

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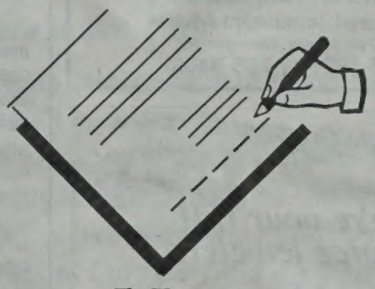

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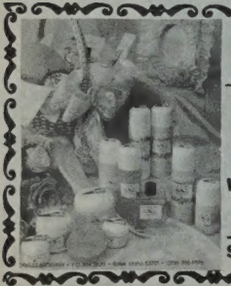

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MORIN from Page 6

Still playing with numbers. Do you realize that there are over 300,000 non-prescription drugs on the market? How about that? A pill for this, a pill for that. What's with us? A nation of pill pushers, that what we is! The drug companies? They're making out like bandits, literally, what with the prices they're charging.

MONEY STILL TALKS! That money grubbing dipstick that was involved in that junk bond debacle, Lesky, Linskey, whatever, he and the U.S. of A. are in the process of "Let's Make a Deal!" (Deal Canceled) whereby he would pay off some of those who bought the dirty junk bonds. He would, in turn, spend a year or so in a High Society Prison Country Club, paroled, and be let off the hook! They say justice is blind! It sure is!

A QUOTE: "The bad news is that the ozone layer is more depleted than we first thought; the good news is that the cities covered in smog are more protected from the sun's ultra violet rays than those where the air is more pristine...." J. Dempsey

Yumpin Yiminy!...At birth, the hippopotamus weighs 100 pounds. Good grief! Not so astonishing, considering the parents weigh in between four and five tons each. Mama Mia! "Hey Ma, get off my back, will ya?"

A tunnel of love, it isn't. We had an occasion recently to "try" out a Cathscanner, you know, that long cylinder shaped medical apparatus that scans whatever part of the body it wants to. Quite an experience, to say the least. If one has claustrophobia, as I have, it's frightening. I approached it, started to undress thinking that it was the right thing to do! Nurse wanted to know what I was doing. "Undressing!" said I. "No Way," said she. It wasn't necessary. Another of life's embarrassing moments!

"Just jump on the rack," said she. I did. They plucked me with an intravenous; started off and rolling! Entering the hole I hollered, "Stop the Presses, get me outta here!" Really, I felt closed in. She didn't hear me, and before I knew, my head was out the other side. Big deal, you say? For me it was!

The reading of Uncle Joe's will. Uncle Joe's relatives gathered for the reading of the will after his demise, naturally. "Being of sound mind," read the will, "I spent every cotton picking penny I had; there's none left!" Sorry about that.

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Dis 'n Dat...Friends, ever hear of a pickle picker? Yupp! Find one in a kitchen appliance store, doodad section. It looks like a hypodermic needle, works on the same principle, but in place of ejecting, this doodad picks up! Four little "fingers" protrude as you press the top. Voila! It grabs hold of the pickle slice or the whole pickle itself. You heard about it here, friends. Aren't you glad you tuned in?

Bureaucratic mess. A letter sent out from Greenville S.C. Dept. of Social Services read: "Your food stamps will be stopped effective March 1992 because we received notice that you passed away. May God bless you. You may reapply if there is a change in your circumstances." (Hard to believe, isn't it?)

An Optimists Prayer: O God, for this new day now dawning, make me an optimist. Although there are signs of hope surrounding me, sometimes I see only the negative, the imperfections, the decay. Teach me to refocus on the marvelous possibilities, the great potentialities, the vibrant new life which fills my world each day. Whenever my vision is darkened by pessimism, open my eyes, Lord, to the light of new hope. Amen.

A Question: Why is it that those of Franco, Canadian American background have no social club, organization? Other ethnic groups have them? What's wrong with us? Lack of interest, not proud of our roots? Customs? We've got a lot to offer! But have we the time or money? Aha! (Hey, Joe - give Richard Valentino a call for info on the Franco-American Progressive Club. They meet locally! - Ed.)

O.K., mes amis! That's it for now. Have a beautiful Spring, a warm summer; peace and love throughout the year! An old friend,

Joseph

Another Point of View

Too Late for Early

By Lawrence Moore

How much is duty...how much is dirt? To what extent do Freedom of Speech and Freedom of the Press permit mockery of a fellow citizen? At what point does "commentary" become sport at the expense of its scapegoat? Is the overriding conclusion of Harry Truman the only guide: "If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen"? Is Politics irrevocably down-and-dirty?

This soul-searching obviously is the result of the Catch 22 in which Joe Early finds himself. A sympathetic part of me feels for the man in the unforgiving spotlight. Should a man, even one who has made mistakes, be humiliated unmercifully? He is a husband, a father, a friend. How does he face his family and his friends? How do they react when their friends smile, smirk, or look away? As human to human, my heart goes out to Joe Early and his family.

On the other hand....Joe Early must be judged from an impersonal viewpoint as the United States Representative to the Congress of the United States from the Third Congressional District of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. A tiny few of our millions of people are chosen for that privileged honor. Perhaps the honor was thrust upon Joe Early by a political machine interested only in holding the safe seat rather that in the good that might be accomplished by a capable Representative. Certainly the preceding Third District incumbent set an example easily followed and easily surpassed. But Joe Early went to Congress and, for 18 years, distinguished himself only by becoming its most obscure member, the most traveled member of the Massachusetts delegation, and the Massachusetts member with the highest office and expense budget. Let's not quibble and ask why so inactive a Legislator needed such a budget and so much travel. Early pulled a few boners in his time, doing what he apparently did best, trying to get favors for a contributing developer and a convicted bookie. He began to show his colors when he denied knowledge of tuition payments by a lobbyist for his children.

Through 18 years, Early will be remembered for only two floor speeches, one for a raise and one about his checks.

Which brings us to the point where judgement must replace sympathy. His handling of the check business was amateurish and deceptive. His actions on the floor vis-a-vis the leadership diminished what little influence he might have had. His own lack of control, his deplorable statesmanship, have sadly brought him to the brink of disaster. He will be fair game for whoever his opponent will be, and the mood of the electorate is such that he will be defeated.

To free up other Democrats who are holding off in deference either to him or to the machine, to insure a fair issue-oriented campaign between nominees of both parties, and in respect for the Third District which has treated him to the best years of his life, Joe Early should retire at the end of his term. He will be among the last Congressmen who will take away with them their accumulated campaign funds, a retirement bundle that will make his passing years comfortable.

Perhaps then the Third District will elect a Representative of whom it can be proud, and more important, a Representative who will bring honor and acclaim to himself, to the District and to the Congress. Unfortunately for Joe Early, the past is irretrievable, and the present is too late.

Millbury Women's Club

MILLBURY - The Millbury Women's Club will hold its Annual Meeting on May 4 at the Worcester Art Museum. A presentation on "American Art and Music" will be given by Marth McKenna. Wine will be served at 11:30 a.m., followed by luncheon at 12:30 p.m., and a tour. Co-chairwomen for this event are Pat Taraskiewicz and Lou Trachimowicz.

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supports the recommendations, asked Sylvia if he has any definite strategies on how to change the perceptions.

Sylvia replied that the recommendations were sound and that they have his full support and that of the other administrators as well.

There was no discussion on other significant findings described in the report, including the perception that staff members are reluctant to report incidents of discrimination and/or favoritism for fear of retaliation by the administration.

Suspension Appeal

Hanratty then recognized a parent who was present to appeal a decision by the high school administration concerning his son's suspension for not attending three consecutive Wednesday in-house suspensions. The parent asked why his son was not given a hearing as required by school policy. He also asked the Committee to overrule the outside suspension order and to consider the fact that his son had started a new job and was in training the first Wednesday the in-house suspension was to take place. He also asked the Committee to take into consideration how difficult it is to get a job.

Assistant Principal Charles Caparelli noted that he had a written contract with the student in question and his mother. He said he could not show favoritism since it would mean a break down in the school discipline code and, if so, "the whole code might as well be thrown out."

Both Pease and Pojani, who suggested that more flexibility be applied, were rebuffed by Hanratty and Caparelli who agreed that this was not the time to change a policy.

Carmody, too, supported Caparelli's handling of the matter as did Sylvia. The Committee voted to support the Administration's suspension order. The father said he would appeal the decision to the State Department of Education based upon the fact his son was not given a hearing prior to the suspension order.

Class Assignment

The Committee addressed an issue concerning a class assignment relating to potential adverse health effects from septic problems at the Paul Revere Village Condominiums.

Shaw School Principal Frank Rogers explained that the assignment was given in the classroom of teacher Mary Ann Dube. He said a student who lives at the condominiums approached Dube about writing a business letter on that situation. "We thought it was a good idea," Rogers said. ((The Condominium Association has filed suit against the town and its agents for a variety of problems at the complex, including the failure of the septic systems.)

Rogers said the Town Planner and a parent of one of the students who lives at the condominium spoke to the class. "There were no names mentioned, and it was stated from the town's perspective that all the work was done satisfactorily per permits etc. The parent gave a perspective on how it was living there. The letters were non-accusatory and no finger pointing was done. The issue was fairly presented and was a valuable lesson for the kids," according to Rogers.

Hanratty then said that Rogers was asked to tonight's meeting not to defend the assignment, but rather to look at the new techniques involved in the writing program and to see how the students are doing.

[In a conversation the following day, Sylvia acknowledged that there had been complaints filed to the committee on Dube's assignment. The discussion on the students' writing skills was a by-product of the complaints.]

Pojani noted that there was some concern over the assignment since the town is in litigation.

Sclar said the town is in litigation, not the School Committee. "The students are free to write on any subject they want," he said.

Hanratty replied that it is the Committee's responsibility to look over all school programs. "We have every right and an obligation to insure that both sides are considered and that there is no bias."

Marble thanked Rogers for the report, citing the emotional aspects of the Paul Revere issue. He said that after reading the students' letters, he doesn't believe there was a problem with the assignment since there did not appear to be any attempt to place blame. "I highly commend Mrs. Dube for this project," he said.

(Dube was a member of the Planning Board that approved the special permit for the construction of the condos.)

Heterogeneous Grouping

Palermo presented the recommendation of the Curriculum Advisory Council on grouping. The Council voted 17-2 to adopt the proposed changes. The Council is recommending that grouping be heterogeneous (mixed levels of ability) in grades K-6. Palermo said the Council did a lot of research on available literature and contacted and visited other schools. Presently, Grade 5 is conducting a pilot program with mixed ability grouping.

It was stated that mixed ability levels will help students' self esteem and provide for a variety of learning experiences. The grade level teachers have been involved in discussions of the proposed changes and, though not unanimous, there is a consensus to go in that direction. The new groupings will require training for staff.

Marble said he did not completely agree with heterogeneous grouping but would support the recommendation. He did ask that a close eye be kept on how students are doing to insure that all the needs of all the students are being met and that the top to low students are not getting lost.

Anna Lewandowski, a member of the council, said she missed the meeting when the vote was taken and said she was totally against the grouping although she did see some need for changes. She said there was insufficient time given to discussion and study as the issue was completed after only five meetings of the Council.

Lewandowski said that, at present, in the groupings in the team model, students in the low group have an opportunity to see themselves on the honor roll. "Kids should have the opportunity to do the best at the level they are at," she said. She also indicated she could see heterogeneous grouping in K-2 "but, as they get older, it would not be fair to middle and lower students. In the upper grades kids in the higher levels will get bored." She suggested there would be a need for a teacher aid in those circumstances. "A lot of questions are not addressed," she said.

Carole Chiras, a Team Leader at the Shaw School, voiced support for heterogeneous grouping for K-6 and said the honor roll is not an issue for that level since there is none. She noted that students come from a variety of backgrounds into the lower levels and that modification of teaching styles can serve the students' needs. "Something never tried is never known," she said. "The opportunities in a classroom are only as good as those provided by that instructor. Thus, meeting the needs of the higher student and those of the more reluctant student are always under the governance of that instructor and the materials provided to students. There really needs to be a modification in teaching styles. There has been stagnation in education that has

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Fire Chief John Peterson explained that the present station sits in a floodplain which presents a variety of problems and would prevent expanding the facility and installing sewerage. He also said it is difficult to exit and enter the present station because of the location of the facility, and it would not be possible to exit a new station from the side for safety reasons.

According to Peterson, locating the station at the egg farm site would allow them to build a station with five bays, four for fire apparatus and one for maintenance, and a training room large enough to accommodate 45 to 50 firefighters. The site would also allow the firefighters to train off the streets of Sutton which is presently being done because it is difficult to find places to train. The site could also provide a location large enough to construct a smoke tower at a later date. The training room in the fire department could be used by the community as well.

Peterson explained that the committee has considered different types of construction and has been advised that a masonry and wooden structure could be constructed for approximately what it would cost for a metal building or a masonry building. He added that metal buildings do not last as long as masonry and wood structures and a station constructed of both materials would be more efficient to heat. He also said the committee has been told that a masonry/wood structure would be architecturally consistent with other buildings in the area.

Peterson told the board the committee budgeted $35,000 for the design but wants to spend no more than $30,000 for the plans. Peterson feels that the committee will be able to come before the Fall Town Meeting with the definitive plans and an estimate.

The selectmen must now, by statute, contact Sullivan Design who was rated #1 by the committee. If Sullivan agrees to do the design for $30,000, then the contract must go to them. If they refuse the offer, then the same proposal is presented to choice #2. Under this statute, Town Administrator Dexter Blois explained, the town avoids having to pay an architect based upon the percentage of the cost of the structure. The town must only pay a flat fee but it removes some of the negotiation advantage it would otherwise have. However, the town can set the fee it will pay and save money in that manner.

Zoning Board of Appeals

Strieby welcomed members of the Zoning Board of Appeals: Chairman Arthur Keown, Clerk Patrick Morris, and Donald Allison. The ZBA was invited to the meeting so that the board could find out how they might help the ZBA and what matters of importance are being considered.

Morris told the board that the ZBA is very busy and asked the selectmen if they could update them on the status of pending lawsuits. It was noted that one suit has been pending since 1986. He explained that the ZBA did not want to talk about those suits at this meeting but were curious about their status.

Another issue of importance to the ZBA is enforcement. Morris said his board takes pride in its work and frequently people do not abide by the restrictions which they place on decisions. "It's a little discouraging when we try to spend the time," he said, "and we feel that the things we do in good faith are not being enforced." He also asked the board to help the ZBA find an alternate member.

Morris said the ZBA is happy to discuss things with the board either through Blois or through their chairman. "None of us appreciate being communicated with via the media," he said, "and take some exception reading our names in the paper in quotes from the selectmen."

Strieby asked that the selectmen be apprised of enforcement problems so they can provided assistance.

Keown responded that the ZBA is not a head hunter, but rather is the supreme court which acts on the merits of certain applications, applying provisions which help the petitioner and protect the town. He said that after 20 days, if there are no objections, their decision on a matter becomes law. The Enforcement Officer is Jake VanDyke.

Keown said all pertinent boards are notified of the ZBA's decisions and the conditions. After the decision is rendered, the board notifies the petitioner if they see a violation. The board of selectmen has the power to enforce the conditions.

Keown described a case in which a person was instructed to pave their driveway, and eight years later they still have not done so.

Morris noted that the selectmen have the power to impose a $300 a day fine or put a lien on the person's home.

Keown said it is difficult for his board to police their decisions and they frequently happen upon violations as they travel around town.

Selectman Mike Chizy agreed that enforcement in Sutton is very lax and always has been. He said he understands the ZBA's position of making a decision and washing their hands of it, but, he feels, the ZBA has a moral obligation to check that their conditions are enforced. "Most of your decisions aren't followed through if somebody doesn't want them. Whether it's the ZBA's responsibility to follow up or the enforcement officer, I'm not sure," he said, "but it's not being done, and that bothers me more than anything." Chizy then described a condition that exists on his street.

Morris countered that it is Chizy's moral obligation as a resident to report the violation and said he has the power of the board to address the issue.

Selectman Rick LaBonte brought up the ZBA's decision over the use of Vern's property on Putnam Hill Road. The ZBA granted a use variance to a company that transports medical waste. Although the company does not have plans to store medical waste at the site, it is possible that some waste could be held over a day or two at the site. Abutters have argued that they were notified only that the use was to be changed to "business" and consequently they did not attend the ZBA hearing to voice any disapproval.

"We are not prepared to discuss Vern's tonight, nor do we want to discuss Vern's tonight, nor will we discuss Vern's tonight," Morris said. He asked the board to familiarize themselves with the file and then they would be willing to discuss the matter in an orderly fashion.

Board member Mary K. Connor commented that she was not prepared to discuss the decision because it was not on the meeting's agenda and should be postponed until another night.

LaBonte responded that he was agreeable to that but that as a selectman, he said it is a very controversial subject and he was "willing to respect what the Zoning Board wants to do on it." He also said he was well within his rights to bring the subject up at the meeting and it was the right of the board to decide if it should be heard or if he is ruled out of order.

Strieby said he agreed it should be put on a later agenda.

Chizy asked the ZBA how their decisions are made.

Keown said their decisions are made "basically by the letter of the law. After you sat on it (the ZBA) as long as I have," he said, "you've heard every story that's come down the pike; you've seen the people come in and yell and scream, and people who come in and don't say anything. And you have to go by the merits of the case: what are they asking for; is it allowable under our by-law; is it something we can do; is there a hardship; what is the hardship; is it going to affect zoning across the whole town or only in a small area?"

Allison added that ZBA is like the selectmen in that they have to make decisions. He said they make serious considerations, some of which are right and some wrong, and some which are difficult to differentiate, but,

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MILLBURY - A free bicycle inspection, sponsored by the Charles F. Minney V.F.W. Post 3329 Auxiliary, will be held Saturday, April 25, at post quarters, 16 South Main Street, from 1-3 p.m. Youngsters will also receive free reflection tapes for their bikes.

Literature donated by the Millbury Police Department on bike safety and security will also be available, free of charge.

In addition, members of the Millbury Fire Department Rescue Squad will be on hand to provide an inside look at a rescue truck. The rain date for this event is May 2.

Parade to Lead Off Sutton Youth Baseball Day

SUTTON - Local Selectmen have proclaimed Sunday, May 3, 1992 as Sutton Youth Baseball Day. Festivities will begin with a parade which will step off from Sutton Center at 1:00 p.m. The Sutton Schools Band and a color guard from the Dudley-Gendron Legion Post are scheduled to participate.

Opening Day ceremonies will take place immediately following the parade at the Sutton Elementary School flagpole. At the conclusion of the ceremonies, three-inning baseball games will be played. Refreshments will be on sale throughout the afternoon.

July 4th Parade

MILLBURY - Plans are underway for the Millbury Lions Club's eighth annual Independence Day Parade to be held Sunday, June 28, beginning at 1 p.m. in conjunction with a gigantic chicken barbecue on the Millbury Common. The theme of the parade will be the 500th anniversary of the discovery of the new world by Christopher Columbus.

The Club is appealing to the community to help defray the cost of this very expensive undertaking. Last year's parade expenses were in excess of $22,000. Many bands have been booked for this year's event.

Any contribution will be appreciated and all contributors will be acknowledged in the parade day program. Send your contribution to: Millbury Lions Club/Parade, c/o Len Horton, 23 Hemlock Drive, Millbury, MA 01527.

If you or your organization want to place an entry in the parade (float, car, marching unit, etc.) there is no fee to enter. Call Len Horton at 865-4898 for additional information or for a registration form.

Library Day at Fenway Park

WORCESTER - "Family Library Day at Fenway Park" is a special event developed by the Massachusetts Regional Library systems in cooperation with the Boston Red Sox organization. On Saturday, May 2, thousands of families from all across the state will rally in a tribute to Massachusetts public libraries at the Boston Red sox vs. Kansas City Royals game. The Red Sox have provided discounted tickets for sale in over 160 public libraries. The first 15,000 children ages 15 and under entering Fenway will receive the premiere issue of Rookie League magazine, a new children's baseball magazine. Curios George will also be on hand.

An Invitation

MILLBURY - Question of the day: has the Millbury Youth Center really changed? Yes! and the Youth Commission invites you to attend the Grand Opening weekend so you can see for yourself. On Friday, May 1, Millbury youth, ages 12-16, may obtain membership cards and attend the new and improved Youth Center from 7-10 p.m. Shoot a few hoops in the new gym and discover what the Youth Advisory Board has decided to sell in the snack bar. On Saturday, May 2nd, from 7-10:30 p.m., a Grand Opening Dance will be held for 12-16 year olds. Admission is $3.00. Refreshments will be sold. All other areas of the center will be closed.

The Youth Commission invites parents to come with their kids on Grand Opening Weekend. Take a few minutes to see how the Youth Commission has implemented your requests. The age level has been changed to 12-16, supervision has been increased to cover all areas, and the rules are a lot tougher. Parents will find that the Youth Center is a lot different than it was. A lot of effort has been put into making the center a safe and enjoyable place for your children. Has the Youth Center really changed? Seeing is believing! Go and see.

Sutton PTA

SUTTON - The Sutton PTA will present "Science in the Classroom" on Wednesday, April 29, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sutton Elementary School. Doug Kimball, of Mass. Audubon Society, will be the featured speaker. The program will include demonstrations by Sutton teachers and students of current classroom activities. This program is open to the public, and the PTA encourages all to join in an evening of scientific discovery.

May Fellowship Day

MILLBURY - The Annual May Fellowship Day celebration sponsored locally by the Millbury-Sutton Council of Church Women United (CWU), will be held Friday, May 1, at 1 p.m. at Raymond Memorial Church on Raymond Street. The 1992 theme, "Call for a Compassionate Community," recognizes the essence of suffering within each member of the human family. The materials for this workshop experience grew from a retreat gathering of eight women of faith in Indiana. They came from denominationally diverse backgrounds and brought a variety of experiences to feed and shape their perspectives on compassion, wounds, and healing.

CWU is the ecumenical movement that brings Protestant, Roman Catholic, Orthodox and other Christian women together into one community of prayer, advocacy and service. CWU functions through 1,750 local units, 52 state units (including Washington, D.C. and Puerto Rico) and national offices in NY City, the U.N. and Washington, D.C.

The leaders of the worship service will be Dorothea Molleur, president of the Millbury-Sutton Council of CWU and June Wentzell of the host church. Alice Mars will provide organ accompaniment. The Women's Fellowship of Raymond Memorial Church will serve refreshments in the lower hall following the service. All members of the Christian community, men and women, are invited.

Dean's List

MILLBURY - Kimberly J. Rice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Rice Jr. of Millbury, has been named to the Dean's List for the Fall 1991 semester at Worcester Technical Institute. She is majoring in Computer Science and has maintained a 3.8 G.P.A. Kimberly will graduate May 18 and will pursue her studies at Becker College.

Information Needed

MILLBURY - Millbury High School's Class of 1947 will hold its 45th reunion this year. The following class members' addresses are needed: William Chausse and Rita Ledoux Baisalair. Anyone having this information can call Shirley Crepeau Jensen at 865-2423.

Little League Parade

MILLBURY - This year's little League Parade will be held Sunday, April 26, beginning at 1:00 p.m. from Millbury High School. The parade will head down Martin St. to North Main St. to Millbury center, then down West Main Street to Washington St. Park. There will be a short ceremony at the park followed by Little League's opening game.

To avoid any congestion at the intersection of Washington St. and West Main St., incoming traffic will not be allowed into Washington Street prior to the start of the parade to approximately 1/2 hour after completion of the ceremonies. Parents should plan on picking up children at the Washington St./West Main St. intersection.

Parking will not be allowed on either side of West Main Street. The Elmwood St. School parking lot should be considered as parking for anyone entering Washington St. park for the ceremonies.

Sirloin Tips Supper

SUTTON - The First Congregational Church of Sutton will hold a Sirloin Tips Supper on Saturday, May 2, with sittings at 5:00 and 6:15 p.m. This family-style supper will also include onion soup, rice pilaf, green beans, and rice pudding for dessert. Tickets are $6.00 for adults and $2.00 for preteens. No charge for children 5 and under.

Kollios Office Hours

BOSTON - Representative Paul Kollios (D-Millbury) will hold office hours at the Selectmen's office at the town hall on May 12 and 26 from 6-7 p.m. He will also be at the Millbury Senior Center on May 7th.

Parents' Club banquet

MILLBURY - The Millbury Parents' Club will hold its annual banquet at the Cock 'n kettle Restaurant in Uxbridge on Tuesday, May 12, at 7:30 p.m. A choice of chicken cordon blue or baked stuffed scrod is being offered. Fruit salad, roasted potato, vegetable, popovers, and chocolate parfait are also included. Cost of the banquet is $16.00 per person. Forward your check to: Diane Erickson, P.O. Box 12, Millbury, MA. All reservations must be received by April 25. Checks should be made payable to "Millbury Parents' Club." Indicate your choice of chicken or scrod with your check.

Mother's Day Workshop at Library

MILLBURY - The Millbury Public Library invites children to its annual Mother's Day Workshop on Wednesday, May 6, at 3:30 p.m. Youngsters must bring a "mom size" plain light-colored or white T-shirt that has been pre-washed. Registration is necessary. To register, call 865-1181.

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he said, the board has to make decisions and they do it after careful consideration.

To a question from Connor, Allison told the board that the ZBA granted 36 or 37 special permits in 1991; only three or four variances were granted.

Keown explained that the board would rather issue special permits since they expire with the principal to whom they are granted. Use variances remain with the property.

LaBonte asked the ZBA if they would comment on the article before the town meeting which would remove some power of the ZBA.

"We've been to the Finance Committee and we've also been to the Planning Board," Morris replied, "and in both cases we feel we enlightened them. I'm not speaking for the board; I'm only speaking for myself. We've only issued three use variances in the last two years. One of those ended up, the town changed the zoning anyway; another one was the extension of a use variance; but if the town votes to do away with use variances, if I'm at the town meeting, I'll vote to do away with them. It doesn't bother me at all," he said.

Strieby commented that he felt the ZBA should look at the Master Plan.

Connor explained that at this time the Master Plan is not finalized but is rather several reports.

LaBonte again said that he would like to have a meeting with the ZBA set up so that residents from the Vern's area who came to ask questions could be heard.

Connor said that residents are always welcome to come in and speak with the selectmen. She said she didn't think it was the job of the selectmen to call in a board every time a decision is made with which someone disagrees.

LaBonte commented that the ZBA indicated a willingness to meet to discuss the topic of Vern's.

Morris said that he would personally be willing to meet and review the decision, "provided, and this has not happened yet, Mr. LaBonte, that you and every other member of the board review the file. Review the file, then we'll be more than happy to answer any questions that you might have. If you want to schedule a meeting, I'm more than happy to look at my calendar and we'll go through Vern's. I'm not prepared to discuss it tonight because I want to look at the file."

Connor said she felt if members of the board of selectmen have a problem with the ZBA's decision, the proper forum for that is the ZBA meeting and not the selectmen's meeting. If citizens have a problem with a ZBA decision, then the proper forum is to talk to the board of selectmen. "I don't see any way this is the proper forum and will accomplish nothing and is wrong, in my opinion, for the three parties to be discussing something because then you're debating at a board of selectmen's meeting about a decision that was made by another board. If individually or as a board we want to request that the ZBA hold a meeting so that we, as selectmen, can go to the ZBA meeting and tell them that we are unhappy and why, that would be appropriate, and these people can come if they want because everything is an open meeting and it's up to you (ZBA) how you hold the meeting."

She went on to add that if the residents want to address the board of selectmen, they can call Blois and ask to be put on the agenda.

LaBonte said the residents of that area had every reason to believe that "that place was zoned residential. They got a notice in the mail that said 'Business and commercial use' then it turns out to be medical waste and I think any thinking person would know that that was a major kind of business that would create a controversy in any neighborhood," he said. "And these people were not given an opportunity to be heard because they did not know the nature of the business going in down there."

Connor responded that if LaBonte feels the ZBA was wrong, he should put it as an item on the selectmen's agenda for discussion.

LaBonte suggested that the ZBA agree to hold a meeting to answer questions.

Selectman Wally Johnson restated Connor's position that residents have a right to bring their appeal to the selectmen, but also agreed with Connor that he was unfamiliar with the case and would like to review the file.

Connor then asked hypothetically what could happen if each selectman read the files and agreed that they would not have voted as the ZBA did.

LaBonte said that was not the issue. Residents want to be heard by the ZBA, not the selectmen.

Keown responded that they should have been at the meeting.

LaBonte returned that had they known that the topic was medical waste they would have and that the ZBA should have postponed its decision and renotified the residents of that fact.

At Strieby's request, the ZBA will place the item on their agenda.

Morris asked if it is legal to re-open the hearing once it has been closed? He said he did not think so and would like to have it passed by the town's attorney.

Blois asked what the selectmen hope to accomplish by wanting to be heard. "I just want to make sure that everybody realizes that there may not be anything that can be accomplished by the meeting," he said.

LaBonte responded that they have a right to be heard.

Keown said, according to the decision, "It's a done deal." He went on to explain that the ZBA put in conditions and now it is up to the zoning agent to make sure they are enforced.

At Strieby's request the ZBA was asked to schedule a meeting at which individuals might ask questions. The ZBA agreed to an informational meeting on May 7, at 8:30 pm.

Miscellaneous

- The board decided to table a request for a gift of land from Afonso Builders on Stone School Road. The board felt that the owner owes taxes on the land and it is not proper for anyone who owns land that they do not want to refuse paying taxes on it which forces the town to take the land for non-payment. In many cases, these parcels are of no use to anyone.

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caused a leveling off in test scores."

Chiras also agreed that self-esteem is very important and noted that children entering the primary grades come from a variety of backgrounds, some nurtured, some dysfunctional, "and arbitrarily it is decided 'this is a reader' and 'this is a non reader,' 'this is a high performer,' and 'this is not a high performer.'

Chiras noted that Project Alert has shown that children share benefits with each another. "Children who are tracked at earlier grades never get that exposure," she said. "There is a real limit of exposure now, and that is unfair. It's unfair to compare kids in a primary and elementary situation to that of a secondary situation. They are very different. We have to look at the grade scores. At the primary grades, they have not shown great advancement. There is always room to make some advancement and some improvement even though they (scores) are respectable."

Principal Frank Rogers noted that the lowest scores in the assessment tests were in reading and that the reading classes are grouped by ability.

Palermo said grouping for particular skills and interests can be encouraged.

Roger Desrosiers, a Council member and a teacher at the high school, said he was one who voted against the recommendation and he asked for a gradual implementation of changes. "My concern is that there are many other areas the literature doesn't really deal with. More important than changing from homogeneous groupings to heterogeneous, is the teachers. A poor teacher in any of those two settings will still be a poor teacher. Students will still have difficulty. As to grouping, if students are locked into a group, it is probably the fault of how the grouping is done, not necessarily the grouping itself. Nothing in the literature says anything about what to do if a student lacks motivation. If kids are not interested in what's going on, what makes heterogeneous more workable than homogeneous?" he asked. "I find it difficult to absorb that now all these things will be resolved by adopting heterogeneous settings."

Patricia Cooney, a Chapter One teacher, spoke in support of heterogeneous grouping, saying her experience in teaching students in the lower levels indicates that their self esteem is very low. "As a result, some eventually become discipline problems when they get up into the 4th and 5th grade. Because they have been tracked that way all along, they live up to the expectations," she said. "By dispersing them, you do away with discipline problems to an extent, the feeling that 'I am nobody.' The kids know who they are and what is expected of them. You can't fool them by giving names out for the different groups they are put into. As to expectations," Cooney said, "kids will give back to you what you ask of them. Sometimes you will be astounded at what a kid might do when you ask for a report or do a project. The world is heterogeneous and so should the kids be. The administrators here tonight all came up under heterogeneous groupings and taught that way, and they have done okay."

Stephen Widen, a candidate for school committee, said there appears to have been a short time period for study to make such a dramatic change.

Palermo said there have been many informal discussions on this issue with grade teachers. "The reading audits recently completed also discussed the change in grouping, so there have been more than just five meetings on this," he said.

Tonight's reading of the proposed policy changes will be followed by two more readings before a formal vote is taken by the School Committee.

Miscellaneous

- The Committee met with Senator Matthew Amorello and State Representative Paul Kollios for a discussion on issues including school reform legislation, education funding, and school choice. Both legislators noted that presently there are three different proposals on the table for education reform which are stalled.

- Sylvia reported that the Fidelity Co-operative Bank has donated a computer to the schools.

- The Committee gave preliminary approval to Y.O.U. Inc. to begin operating its school program at the rehabilitated Center School with further information on curriculum and programs to follow.

- Pojani asked that the portion of a posting for a coaching position that shows a requirement for teaching experience be dropped. She said the wording is too limited.

- School Committee candidate Barbara Tuttle asked the Chair what the superintendent's salary will be for FY '92-'93 since she could not find the total in the budget.

Business Manager Sue Pierce said she couldn't say because the information was in her office.

Tuttle said figures at the town hall show the superintendent's salary closer to $80,000 than the $70,600 shown.

Hanratty said that with longevity payments, Sylvia's salary would be $79,100. He also said Sylvia receives a $1200 annual payment for travel to and from work and the school buildings.

Sylvia said that was not part of his salary.

The Committee voted unanimously to move to executive session to discuss issues related to collective bargaining.

Moore to 'Spotlight' Sutton

BOSTON - Rep. Richard T. Moore (D-Uxbridge) will visit the polls in Sutton on April 25 as part of his "Community Spotlight" program. For the past five years, Moore has scheduled a day in each of his five communities to focus on state issues or problems which relate to one of his towns.

This year, Moore's new position as Chairman of the Legislature's Committee on Election Laws will be highlighted during the visit. The veteran lawmaker will be present at the opening of the polls and will meet with Town Clerk Ethel M. O'Day and elections officials at Precinct One at the Sutton Elementary School. After observing the beginning of balloting in the town election, Moore will host local civic and business leaders for an informal coffee hour at the Blue Jay Restaurant. A follow-up visit will be scheduled later to allow Moore to meet with senior citizens and visit other areas of special interest in the community.

Scholarship in memory of Martin J. Roach

MILLBURY - The Millbury Teachers Association has voted to establish a scholarship in memory of Martin J. Roach, longtime teacher, coach, administrator and member of the Millbury Teachers Association. Mr. Roach, who passed away recently, retired from the Millbury School System in 1979 and was a lifelong resident of Millbury. The scholarship will be awarded annually to a Millbury High Senior in the amount of $500. Deadline for applications is May 1st and information may be obtained from the Millbury High School Guidance Department. The scholarship is open to all Millbury High seniors but preference will be given to students who are planning to pursue a career in education.

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Sutton Elections

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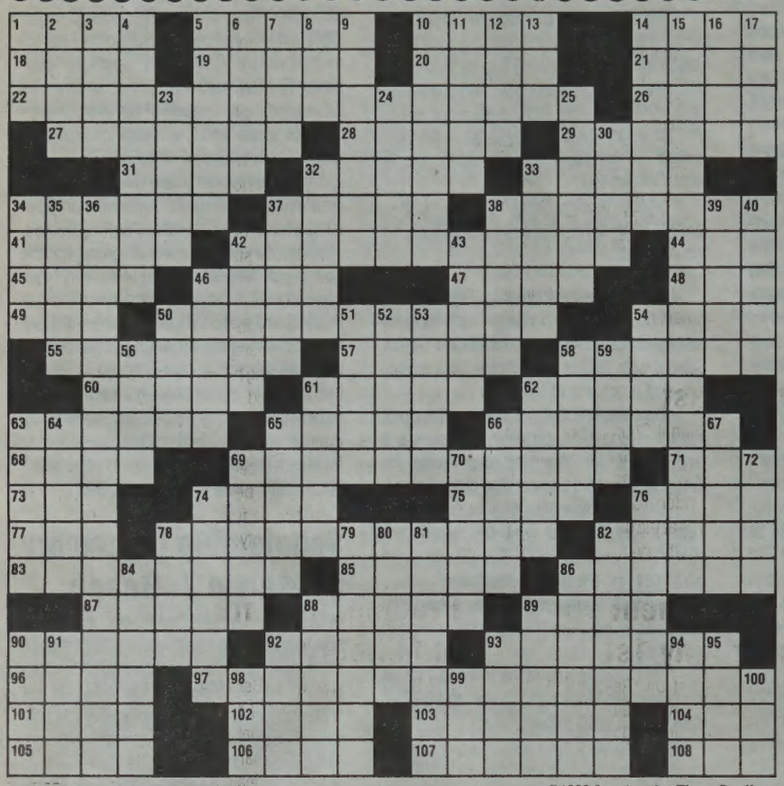

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By Frances Hansen

ACROSS

1 Mugger-repellent
5 Wood engraver's tool
10 Govt. agent
14 I.R.S. employees
18 Heart of the matter
19 Small antelope
20 Slugger's destination
21 Jimmy Carter's middle name
22 Ostentation, a la 97 Across?
26 Sojourn
27 British title of honor
28 Burghoff on M*A*S*H
29 Make possible
31 Wonder-stricken
32 Mudville strikeout victim
33 "Saw wood"
34 Harbor seal
37 Bandleader Shaw
38 Whined tearfully
41 International agreements
42 Ocarina, a la 97 Across?
44 Tutelary god
45 Crafts' partner
46 Bistro
47 French W.W.I commander
48 Resident: Suffix
49 Me, location
50 "Downtown" singer, a la 97 Across?
54 Golf's "Champagne Tony"
55 Dewey or Nimitz
57 Information source
58 Swapped
60 Quechuan
61 Captain Nemo's creator
62 Feigns
63 Deepest within
65 Beetle Bailey's boss
66 Synthetic material
68 Reindeer herder
69 Multi-ethnic centers, a la 97 Across?
71 Cheer for Escamillo
73 Mrs. Cantor
74 Surfeit
75 Hawkeye or dad
76 Explorer Hedin
77 River isle
78 Triangle sides, a la 97 Across?
82 Mix
83 Severe test
85 Full of vim
86 Turning point
87 Actor Jack of yesteryear
88 Itsy —
89 Russian pancake
90 Hardy's partner
92 Make tipsy
93 Bauble
96 Approximately
97 Holiday inspiring Irish puns
101 Monk's room
102 — over, capsize
103 Grow canines
104 Cutback weapon?
105 Walter Mitty player
106 Poker "dues"
107 Devonshire cathedral city
108 Andy Gump's wife

DOWN

1 Biased man, to NOW ladies
2 Part of U.A.R.
3 — rug: litterbug
4 Parts of a text
5 Bee's sometime abode?
6 Exhorted
7 Disorder in the streets
8 — Saud
9 Fertilizer component
10 P. Benchley's filmed novel: 1977
11 Tropical eel
12 "Abou Abulbul —"
13 Catch
14 Lucrezia Borgia's brother
15 Heating fixtures, a la 97 Across?
16 Russian inland sea
17 Leonard —: Roy Rogers
23 Chief White Cloud's people
24 — made: is assured of success
25 Opposite of 64 Down
30 New: Prefix
32 Izaak Walton's basket
33 Nosh
34 Paired horses
35 — living: work for pay
36 Was rash, a la 97 Across?
37 "The — Truth": Grant/Dunne classic
38 Emporium
39 Words on a Wonderland cake
40 Fear
42 Old Scratch himself
43 "— in the Crowd": 1957 film
46 Jeweler's weight
50 Piquet bonuses
51 Ward off
52 Welsh dog
53 Napery
54 The priest, not the beast
56 L-Q connection
58 Eighth Greek letter
59 Charlie Brown exclamation
61 Gentleman's gentleman
62 Oodles
63 Hipbone-related
64 Lowest point
65 Bristles
66 Marquand's "Late George"
67 Nicholas Gage book
69 Symbolic leaf
70 Given to panting
72 Means' counterparts
74 Actress Thorndike's namesakes
76 Walks sinuously
78 Hitch up
79 New Testament letter
80 Colonist greeting to Indian
81 Northern New York to New Yorkers
82 Hans of the silver skates
84 Memorable Lombard
86 Hackneyed expression
88 "John Brown's Body" poet
89 Swedish actress May
90 Secure
91 Vicinity
92 "Tres —"
93 Word for hanging or shoe
94 Dutch cheese
95 Judd Hirsch vehicle
98 Alias, on a policy blotter
99 John Ritter's dad
100 Craving

Solution to Last Week's Puzzle

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School Lunch Menus

WEEK OF APRIL 27-MAY 1

MILLBURY HIGH SCHOOL

MONDAY: chicken pot pie, french fries, pan roll/butter, pineapple
TUESDAY: meatball grinder, french fries, oriental vegetables, jello/topping
WEDNESDAY: rib-b-cue sandwich, lettuce & tomato, french fries, fruit
THURSDAY: american chop suey, french fries, green beans, garlic bread pudding
FRIDAY: no lunches

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

MONDAY: hot dog on a roll, french fries, pineapple bites
TUESDAY: juice, spaghetti/meatballs, tossed salad, garlic bread, pudding
WEDNESDAY: juice, submarine sandwich, potato chips, fruit
THURSDAY: chicken pot pie, potato puffs, bread/butter, brownie
FRIDAY: special cheese sandwich, french fries, carrots/celery stix, jello/topping

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MILLBURY - 4 room apartment, large living room and kitchen, new bath, recently renovated, good location. Security deposit. Call 865-2774.

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DINING ROOM SET - maple and black, round pedestal table, 6 captain's chairs, open hutch, dry sink. Excellent condition. $900. Call 865-9558.

WANTED

WANTED - stereo, vcr, and ping pong table needed for the Millbury Youth Center. Please call 865-7315.

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Spring

By Everett Swenson

The winter's snow begins to melt
From warming sun and balmy days
To form the rivulets and streams
As water runs in separate ways.

The sun is higher in the sky
More northern track it adds each day.
The day then longer in its time
With spring advancing here to stay.

The new spring air is fresh to feel
Upon the face with warming glow
And make the mind rejoice anew
'Tis spring again and nice to know.

And now the sap begins to climb
To bring to life the trees once more
And thru the ground the crocus breaks
Relieving us from winter's bore.

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"V". These were made available to us for distribution by the United Way of Central Mass.

As a form of recognition and thanks to all volunteers during this week, while wearing their RED "V"'s, they will receive free admission to the New England Science Center, Higgins Armory, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester Historical Museum, Worcester Horticultural Society, and discounts on tickets to the Foothills and Forum theaters.

The District Nursing Society has over 100 volunteers, many of whom will receive certificates of recognition this year. Please help us in saluting and recognizing all of our volunteers by congratulating everyone you see wearing a RED "V" for volunteer. If you would like to join our volunteers in providing some very valuable service, give us a call at 865-3562.

Pancake Breakfast

MILLBURY - The First Congregational Church, West Main Street, will host an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast on Saturday, April 25, from 7-10 a.m. Tickets are $5.00 for adults and $2.50 for children under 10. Tickets can be purchased from church members or at the door on the day of the breakfast. This event is open to the public.

"Rescue 911" segment on Sutton coming May 1st

SUTTON - The long awaited segment on "Rescue 911" that will feature a rescue that took place in Purgatory Chasm will be shown Friday, May 1st. Check your local TV listings for the time.

Open Burning Permits

MILLBURY - Open Burning Permits will be issued at Fire Headquarters on Elm St. from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Mondays, Fridays, and Saturdays during April. Burning season runs from January 15 to May 1. To activate your permit, call 865-0438 Monday through Friday and 865-5328 on Saturday.

Baseball Card Show

SUTTON - A Baseball Card Show, sponsored by the Sutton Youth Little League, will be held at the Dudley Gendron Post, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission: $1.00, under 8 free. Dealer's tables featuring all sports cards. Contact Larry or Paula Salem at 234-9605 for more information.

Ham and Bean Supper

MANCHAUG - A Ham and Bean Supper will be held Saturday, May 16, from 4-7 p.m. at St. Anne's Church Hall, Main Street. Tickets are $5.00 for adults and $2.50 for preteens. A penny social and raffle will be held in conjunction with the supper.

Volunteer Sought

MILLBURY - The Millbury Adult Day Health Care Center, 450 Colonial Drive, is seeking a volunteer from 9-1, Monday through Friday. For further information, call 865-1401.

Class of '72 Reunion

MILLBURY - Millbury High School Class of '72 will celebrate its 20th reunion on Friday, November 27, at the Dudley Gendron Post in Sutton. The committee is still looking for information on the following classmates: Joseph Ballard, Richard Beausoleil, Patricia Blake, Linda Davis, Donald Heil, Clifford Hughes, Patricia Jordan, John Kacevich, John Lind, Blanca Santiago, Debra Schenk, Charlotte Vielle, and Kathleen Wood. Contact Linda (Fisher) Meriano at 248-1564 or Leslie (Miles) Vigneau at 865-5741.

School Committee Vacancy

MILLBURY - Due to the resignation of Edward R. Wilczynski, the Millbury School Committee is seeking interested candidates to serve on the Millbury School Committee for one year until the 1993 April election. Any interested resident wishing to be considered for this one year appointment should contact Chester P. Hanratty, Jr., Chairman of the Millbury School Committee, 12 Martin Street, Millbury, MA 01527. May 15th is the deadline established for receiving applications.

Conflict of Interest Seminar

UXBRIDGE - Rep. Richard T. Moore (D-Uxbridge) will co-sponsor a Conflict of Interest Seminar for public officials and employees in cooperation with the Massachusetts State Ethics Commission on Friday, May 8, from 2-4 at the Uxbridge District Court.

The seminar will present an overview of the conflict law for municipal, county, and state officials and employees. The purpose of the seminar is to explain to these individuals how to avoid potential conflicts which may arise between their private interests and public positions. The goals of the presentation and question/answer period is to provide a basic understanding of the principles of the law and how to comply with them by discussing "real life" situations and conflicts that may arise on the job.

The conflict law covers what municipal, county and state employees may do: 1. on the job; 2. after hours; 3. after they leave government service. Some of the topics include: restrictions on receiving gifts; outside employment; contracting with the town, county or state (where applicable); acting on matters in which family members and business associates have a financial interest; and leaving municipal, county or state government work for companies which conduct business with the town, county or commonwealth.

"The public is demanding higher standards of their public officials today," Moore said. "Consequently, I have sponsored this seminar to help local officials and employees in our area be better acquainted with the requirements of the Massachusetts Conflict of Interest Laws. This is truly a matter of an 'ounce of prevention' being worth a 'pound of cure.'

The seminar is open to full and part-time officials and employees from state, county, and local government, attorneys, the media and the public.

Proclamation for Earth Day in Millbury

MILLBURY - The Board of Selectmen has declared April 25 as Earth Day in Millbury and calls on all citizens to join in a global effort to save the planet. In making the proclamation, the board said, "It is necessary that we all do our utmost to buy and use those products least harmful to the environment, to recycle products wherever possible, to conserve our natural resources such as gas, oil, water, and electricity through efficient use, and to learn about energy conservation programs."

In celebration of Earth Day, the Leo Club, a youth affiliate of the Lions Club, is planning a town-wide spring cleaning for that day. Individual or groups planning to help pick up roadside, riverside, and lake side trash should meet at Windle Field between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on the 25th. The Leo Club will provide you with trash bags and assign you an area of town to clean. Frank Rubbish Removal will provide dumpsters in two locations to receive the trash. Wheelabrator Millbury Inc. is providing the trash bags and free tipping at the plant.

CALENDAR

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

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SUTTON - Annual Town Elections

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Contact Larry or Paul Salem at 234-9605 for more information.

SUTTON - Spruce Up Day at the Cedar Swamp Nature Trail located behind the Elementary School on Boston Road from 9-12. All hands welcome.

MILLBURY - The First Congregational Church, West Main Street, will host an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast from 7-10 a.m. $5.00 for adults/$2.50 for children under 10.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

MILLBURY - Little League Parade beginning at 1:00 p.m. from Millbury High School.

TUESDAY, APRIL 28

MILLBURY - Annual Town Elections

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29

SUTTON - The Sutton PTA will present "Science in the Classroom" at 7:00 p.m. in the Sutton Elementary School.

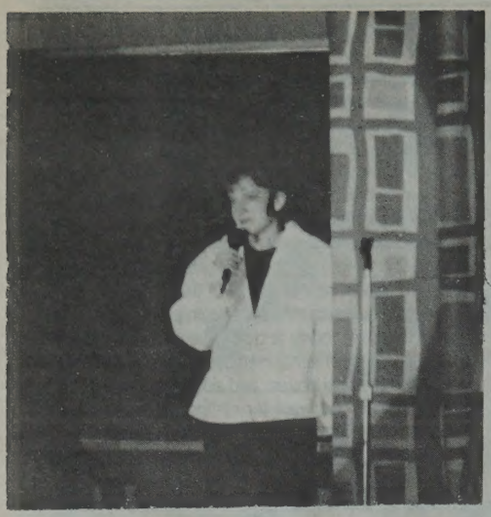
THURSDAY, APRIL 30

MILLBURY - A turkey luncheon with all the fixings, to benefit the Millbury Women's Club's Scholarship Fund, will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Millbury Federated Church, Main Street. Lunches will also be available for take out. For lunches to go, call Mary Mulhane at 865-4266. The cost of the meal is $5.00.

FRIDAY, MAY 1

MILLBURY - The new and improved Millbury Youth Center will open its doors at 7 p.m. for 12-16 year olds.

MILLBURY - The Annual May Fellowship Day celebration sponsored locally by the Millbury-Sutton Council of Church Women United (CWU), will be held at 1 p.m. at Raymond Memorial Church on Raymond Street.



Historical Heaven

MILLBURY - A Grade 6 project entitled "Historical Heaven," provided students at the Shaw School with an opportunity to portray a variety of famous and infamous people who have had a significant impact on history. Students participating included Katie Widen (above) portraying Elvis Presley, Amanda Beaudoin (photo top right) depicting Tutankhamen, and Scott Hanson (photo bottom right) as Jesus.

Sutton Lions Seek Nominations for 'Citizen of the Year'

SUTTON - Since 1988, the Sutton Lions Club has annually recognized a resident of Sutton who has made an extraordinary contribution to the quality of life in the town. "Dedication, determination and a compassion for people are common characteristics of the Citizen of the Year Award," said Jim Crosby, Club President. "We feel that this is a most appropriate way to recognize members of our community who may not otherwise receive the appreciation they deserve for a job well done in the spirit of benefitting others."

Past recipients have included the Leo Moroney Family (1988), Evelyn Shaw (1989), Mary Arakelian (1990), and Martyn Bowden (1991).

Nominations from the Sutton Community are welcome and should be sent to Jerry Anderson, Club Secretary, at 194 Burbank Rd., Sutton, MA 01590. All nominations must clearly state why a particular individual is being recommended for this award. A presentation will be made at the Club's annual Awards/Officers Installation Dinner, June 20, in Worcester. Deadline for nominations is May 22.

Lions Club Planning Block Party

MILLBURY - The Millbury Lions Club will hold its first "Annual Block Party" on Saturday, June 13, from 4-10 p.m. in the center of Town. The rain date will be Sunday, June 14. All non-profit organizations in town who would like to participate are asked to contact Bill Kane at 865-2258 for further details.

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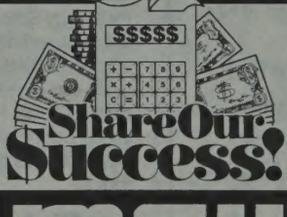

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